

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (original) A laminated member comprising:

a transparent material layer, the transparent layer comprising:

low-reflectance portions, and

high-reflectance portions having a higher reflectance than the low-reflectance portions, wherein a distributed pattern of the high-reflectance portions being used to record an information code, and

a reflection-reduction layer provided at the opposite side from a side where the information code is observed, for reducing reflected light advancing to the transparent material layer.

Claim 2 (original): A laminated member according to Claim 1, further comprising a hologram layer at the opposite side of the transparent material layer from the side where the information code is observed, for reproducing an image with the use of incident light.

Claim 3 (previously presented): A laminated member according to Claim 1 further comprising a retroreflection layer at the opposite side of the transparent material layer from the side where the information code is observed, for returning incident light in the direction opposite to a direction in which the incident light advances.

Claim 4 (original): A laminated member according to Claim 1, wherein the high-reflectance portions are indented portions provided on a surface of the transparent material layer, and the low-reflectance portions are non-indented portions of the surface of the transparent material layer.

Claim 5 (original): A laminated member according to Claim 1, wherein a pearl pigment is used in the reflection-reduction layer.

Claim 6 (original): A laminated member according to Claim 1, wherein the reflection-reduction layer reduces light reflected by a surface of the article where the laminated member is attached and makes a difference in the amount of reflected light between the high-reflectance portions and the low-reflectance portions large.

Claim 7 (original): A laminated member according to Claim 1, further comprising an adhesive layer for attaching to an article, at a rear side of the laminated member.

Claim 8 (withdrawn): An information code observation method comprising the steps of:
illuminating a laminated member according to Claim 1, on which an information code is recorded, with light and detecting light reflected from the laminated member with a photodetector, and reading the information code from a difference in the amount of reflected light between the high-reflectance portions and the low-reflectance portions of the surface of the laminated member, by the use of a detection signal.

Claim 9 (original): An article to which a laminated member according to Claim 1, on which an information code is recorded, is attached.